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January 5, 1987

Mr. Edwin S. Gallacher Lone Star Industries 615 West 800 South Salt Lake City, Utah 84104

Dear Mr. Gallacher:

Re: 1986 Annual Report, Little Mountain Quarry, ACT/045/005, Tooele County, Utah

Enclosed please find the annual report form that must be completed and returned to the Division by March 31, 1987. This report details the mining and reclamation activities during 1986 and should include an updated map of the operation.

It has also come to our attention that you are conducting mining operations in Sections 17 and 18, Township 2 South, Range 6 West. Upon review of the Division's records, we failed to locate an approved Mining and Reclamation Plan, or a Declaration of Exemption for this operation. Presently the Division has on file an approved Mine and Reclamation Plan for the Little Mountain Quarry and a Declaration of Exemption for the Parley's Canyon Quarry.

Please be advised that the State of Utah Mined Land Reclamation ACT, 40-18-13(1) requires an operator to file a seperate Notice of Intention with the Division for each individual mining operation before commencing mining activities. We have enclosed a MR-1 and a MR-4 form. The appropriate form, depending on the size of your umpermitted operation, should be completed and filed with this Division. The MR-4 form (Declaration of Exemption) should be used if your operation mines less than 500 tons of material or disturbs less than two acres of land in 12 consecutive months. The MR-1 Form should be used if your mine operation exceeds these limitations.

Please note the following developments concerning "small mining operations" within the state of Utah.

During the 1986 general session, the Utah State Legislature passed House Bill No. 71 which modifies the State of Utah, Mined Land Reclamation Act, Chapter 8, Title 40, U.C.A. as amended. In part, the amended act eliminates the two acre/500 ton exemption and establishes a "small mining operation" category in its place. Small mining operations are defined as "mining operations which disturb or will disturb less than five on-site acres at any time during the life of the operations".

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The Division is continuing to accept MR-4 applications during the interim period between the passage of House Bill #71 and the development of accompanying rules and regulations. However, please be advised that upon promulgation of new rules and regulations, each operator possessing an approved DOE and desiring to continue mining operations will be required to refile under the provisions of the new law and regulations pertinent to a "small mining operation". The Division will notify those operators having approved DOE applications on file of the new filing provisions when they are finalized.

If you should have any questions, or need additional information, please contact me or Frank Filas of my staff.

Sincerely,

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Administrator

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